



## ASMC Newsletter . . . Mount Vernon Chapter

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Patricia Ackerman, CDFM

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Have you been wondering about the new Long Term Care program being offered by OPM to all federal employees? I know I have. I've even ordered the "package" to review but still can't make up my mind. Well, if you are in the same boat, you need to make sure you come to this month's luncheon. Tom Kerrigan will be speaking to us about the new Long Term Care program and preparing for retirement. If you have never heard Tom speak before, you are in for a treat. This man is probably one of the most knowledgeable in the Army. He is the only Army civilian personnel specialist that still handles benefits and doesn't work for the Army Benefits Center. He will absolutely amaze you with his knowledge. The stories he tells will entertain you as well. I've had the pleasure of hearing him speak on two different occasions and each time I have left knowing something new and significant about my benefits for retirement. Don't miss the opportunity to help yourself prepare for what should be the best part of your life, life after retirement.

There is another thing to look forward to at this month's luncheon as well, the location. We will be holding the luncheon at the Mount Vernon Inn this month. The food there is always great and the atmosphere heavenly (or at least colonial). Keep in mind that month our luncheon dates change from the third Thursday of the month to the second Thursday of the month, so mark your calendar for Thursday, 14 November at the Mount Vernon Inn and come learn how to prepare for you retirement.



**03 October 02, Executive Committee Minutes**  
**by**  
**Edna Plancon, Sectary**

The CEC meeting of the Mount Vernon Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers was called to order at 1100 hours by President Pat Ackerman, At the Red Hot and Blue Restaurant.

The following Officers were in attendance –

Patricia Ackerman, President  
Edna Plancon, Secretary  
Rita Roberts, Chapter Competition  
Steve Breyfogle, Services Director  
Jill F. Karayannis, Treasurer  
Diane Andrews, Award & Scholarship Director  
Marticia Banks-Booker, Education Director  
Mary Sutton, Membership Director  
Stacey Royston, Newsletter Director  
Deborah McLain, Publicity & Photography Director  
Rose Green, Social & Community Services Director

The following Officers were excused:

Maj. Knowlton, Program Director  
Kevin Brooks, Web Master  
Vacant, Vice President

Information on upcoming Luncheons:

The November Luncheon will be held on 14 November 2002 at 11:30, at Mount Vernon Inn, located at Mount Vernon. The luncheon selections are- Option 1 – Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable. Option 2 – Turkey Salad croissant with fresh fruit. Option 3 – Vegetarian Pasta Marinara w/roasted vegetables. The cost will be Options 1&3: \$13 .00 for members and \$14.00 for non-members. Option 2: \$10.50 members/\$11.50 non-members. The speaker will be Mr. Tom Kerrigan; his topic will be Retirements and Benefits as well as Long Term Care.

Officer's Discussion:

President - Pat announced Vice President Ron Satzmary has resigned, due to his being unable to attend any of the meetings or luncheons. The Office of Vice President is now open; we are looking for a volunteer to fill this vacancy.

Secretary - Edna will make reservations for the next CEC Meeting to be held on November 7, 2002.

Treasurer - Jill contacted the Washington chapter to see about using their credit card machine for the PDD. The Washington chapter has not returned her call. Jill motioned a \$500.00, price limit for purchase of pins to give away at the Professional Development Institute. Seconded by Diane – Motion passed.

Awards & Scholarship Director – Diane - No Report.

Chapter Competition – Rita - No Report

Education Director - Marticia has made reservation at the Springfield Hilton for Professional Development Day for 10 April 2003.

Membership Director - Mary would like to give an incentive to get new chapter members. After discussion Mary motioned to purchase a gift incentive up to \$5.00 each for new members. Second by Diane – motion carried.

Newsletter Director - Stacey motioned to purchase a gift for the winner of the Newsletter trivia in the amount of \$20.00, to be given at the Luncheon. Second by Jill – Motion carried. Stacey also motioned to run a newsletter format competition – ways to improve the Newsletter. Second by Diane - Motion carried.

Program Director - Maj. Knowlton - No Report.

Publicity & Photography Director - Deborah announced the chapter has received 2 awards and, would like to add these awards to the Mount Vernon Chapter Display Board.

Services Director - Steve announced the November Luncheon to be held at the Mount Vernon Inn, on 14 November 2002. He is working on a place for the December Luncheon.

Social and Community Services Director - Rose mentioned the Red cross is preparing care packages containing CD's, toiletries, pretzels etc. to send to soldiers deployed overseas. Rose Motioned to prepare care packages for soldiers deployed overseas. Second by Diane – Motion carried.

Web Master – Kevin - No Report

5. The next CEC meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7 at 1100 at Damon's (Manchester Lakes), Alexandria.

6. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 13:00 hours.



# NATIONAL NEWS



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Event:** Mid-year National Council Meeting

**Date:** 19-21 November

**Location:** Hyatte Regency, Crystal City

All Chapters are encouraged to send a representative

## ESSAY AWARD

The 2002/2003 essay contest topic is "What is the Role of Change Management"

All essays should be submitted to:

American Society of Military Comptrollers  
Attn: ASMC Essay Award  
2034 Eisenhower Ave., Suite 145  
Alexandria, VA 22314

The deadline for essay submission is **28 February 2003**

For more information, please visit: <http://www.asmconline.org/national/essayawd.doc>  
or contact Donna Burrows (301) 227-7544 or DSN 287-7544.

## ARMED FORCES COMPTROLLER MAGAZINE

Have you ever wondered how to submit an article for the Armed Forces Comptroller Magazine?

All input for the Armed Forces Comptroller should be submitted to:

Editor, Armed Forces Comptroller  
American Society of Military Comptrollers  
2034 Eisenhower Ave. Suite 145  
Alexandria, VA 22314

or, [ASMCHQ@asmconline.org](mailto:ASMCHQ@asmconline.org)

The Armed Forces Comptroller Magazine is published quarterly. The publication target dates are as followed:

Winter issue – March – submissions due by December 1  
Spring issue – May – submissions due by February 1  
Summer issue – August – submissions due by May 1  
Fall issue – November – submissions due by August 1

For more information, please visit: <http://www.asmconline.org/afcomptroller/>

# NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

**DATE:** Thursday, 14 November 2002, 1130

**LOCATION:** Mount Vernon Inn

**MENU:** **Option 1:** Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable

**Option 2:** Turkey salad Croissant with fresh fruit

**Option 3:** Vegetarian pasta marinara with roasted vegetables

**COST:** **Option 1 & 3:** \$13.00 members/\$14.00 non-members

**Option 2:** \$10.50 members/\$11.50 non-members

**SPEAKER:** Mr. Tom Kerrigan, Retirements and Benefits Specialist

**TOPIC:** "Long Term Care and Retirement"

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Please don't forget to bring the items to the luncheon for the current Community Service Project: Holiday Care Packages for Deployed Soldiers.

Items include:

- Individually wrapped candies
- Packaged Cookies
- Peanuts, pretzels, other snack foods
- Pre-sweetened kool-aid, ice tea mix, Gatorade mix
- Batteries
- Wet-wipes
- Wrap-around sunglasses
- Small pencil sharpeners
- Blank greeting cards
- Holliday/patriotic decorations
- Small board games such as chess, checkers, dominoes, puzzles, etc.
- Recent paperback books
- Videos (movies), music CDs and cassettes
- Toiletry items (to include: shaving cream, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower soap/gel, chapstick, foot powder, sunscreen)

For more information, please contact Rose Green, [rose\\_green@hq.dla.mil](mailto:rose_green@hq.dla.mil), (703) 767-7266.



# LUNCHEON TRIVIA

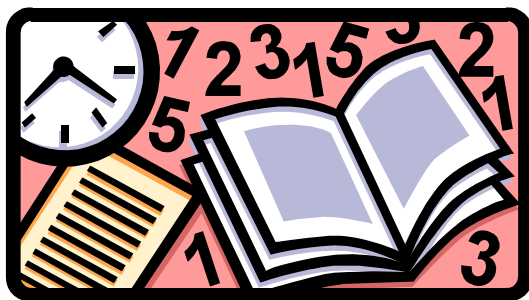
Congratulations to Maribelle Jocson (HECSA), the winner of the October Luncheon Trivia. Maribelle won a gift certificate to Outback Restaurant.

Last Weeks Answers:

1. Pants not his – Panthers
2. Thieves – Steelers
3. Loaders – Packers
4. \$1.00 for corn – Buccaneers
5. Credit Card users - Chargers

To continue the spirit of football season the November Luncheon Trivia also relates to football. **REMEMBER YOU MUST BE PRESENT AT THE LUNCHEON TO WIN!** Good Luck!

1. Henry Ford's first compact car
2. Lubricators
3. Half bovine and half man
4. IOU's
5. 747





## USAFB

Karen Sikes has accepted a promotion as a Budget Analyst GS-13 with the new IMA (ACSIM) and departed Fort Belvoir 8 Sep. **Congratulations on her promotion.**

Sandy Cain, Budget Assistant, USAG Fort Belvoir, was selected for an Admin Officer position with the US Capital Police and departs Fort Belvoir DRM on 17 Nov 2002. **Congratulations on her promotion.**

Cindi Marxen, Budget Analyst with USA, Fort Belvoir, DRM, was selected for a promotion with the US Treasury. **Congratulations on her promotion.**

## CDFM CORNER CONTINUED

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Anyone interested in joining the committee, please contact Kathy Holcombe.

#### CDFM Helpful Hints:

Are you looking for ways to self-study for your CDFM exam...

You can begin by reviewing the following documentation:

**DOD Financial Regulations,**  
<http://dtic.mil/comptroller/fmr>

**OMB Circulars,** <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives>

**DOD Publications,** <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives>

**DOD "Greenbook",**  
<http://www.dtic.mil/comptroller/fy2003budget>

**Army Cost Manual,**  
<http://www.ceac.army.mil/ce/default.asp>

**REMEMBER:** There are three components to the CDFM exams:

1. Resource Management Environment
2. Budgeting and Cost Analysis
3. Accounting and Finance

Each component has five competencies.... more to come next month.

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The Certification Committee is scheduled to meet 13 November 2002. If you have issues for the certification committee, please contact one of the members listed above.



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